GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2383
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NON GOVERNMENT ORGANISATIONS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the NGOs functioning under his ministry/departments at present;

(b) whether a State-wise list of these NGOs has been prepared;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the functioning of these NGOs has been reviewed by the Government;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Government have received any complaints, regarding the alleged irregularities in the functioning of NGOs during the last three years and till date;

(g) if so, the details in this regard; and

(h) the details of action taken or proposed to be taken against such NGOs?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) to (c) No NGOs are functioning under the Ministry of Rural DevelopmentHowever, the Ministry gives project based funding to NGOs for training, research and evaluation, promotion of innovative technology in rural housing.Council for Advancement of People`s Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) under the Ministry of Rural Development funds projects to NGOs under its three schemes of Promotion of Voluntary Action in Rural Development (PC), Organization of Beneficiaries (OB) and Advancement of Rural Technology (ARTs). The Voluntary Organizations which have been registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 or State amendment thereof, the Indian Trusts Act, 1982 or the Charitable and Religious Act, 1920, are eligible for support by CAPART.It should be working at least for three years with participants in rural areas and should not have been put on the CAPART`s list of organisations to which funding has been suspended/stopped.

(d) to (h) CAPART has a system of monitoring and evaluation of the projects funded by it through empanelled project evaluators. Provisions are made to monitor projects at least at 3 stages, i.e., pre-funding appraisal before the project is sanctioned, mid-term appraisal before release of funds in the second and subsequent phases and post-evaluation after the project has been completed. It has a system for ensuring proper accountability of grants released by it to the voluntary organizations (VOs) for implementation of projects. Whenever CAPART gets prima facie evidence that grants released by it have not been properly utilized by the VO or the promises made in the proposal have not been fulfilled during implementation of the project, a temporary funding restriction, namely, Further Assistance Stopped (FAS) is imposed on the erring VO.In case a VO is found to have indulged in financial misappropriation of CAPART grant, it can be placed in the Blacklist category as per ! the laid down guidelines and procedure. A list of the NGOs against whom such action has been taken till date is given in the statement at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2383 for 19.03.2002 by Shri Vijay Kumar Khandelwal, M.P. regarding `Non-Government Organisations`.

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STATE   NO.OF     ACTION TAKEN
   NGOS
    Placed  Placed Defaul- Doubful Delisted Under
    Under Under ter Catgory after   Invest-
    FAS BLA Catgory  Invest-  igation
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Andhra Pradesh	26	15	2	-	1	2	6
Assam	2	1	-	-	1	-	
Bihar	43	41	1	-	1	-	-
Delhi	10	9	1	-	-	-	-
Gujarat	5	4	-	-	1	-	-
Haryana	12	4	2	-	1	3	2
Himachal Prad	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
Jammu & Kashmir	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Jharkahand	9	7	1	1	-	-	-
Karnattaka	5	4	-	-	1	-	-
Kerala	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Madhya Pradesh	21	9	3	7	-	-	2
Maharashtra	13	12	1	-	-	-	-
Manipur	3	1	2	-	-	-	-
Nagaland	4	2	1	-	1	-	-
Orissa	23	19	1	1	-	2	-
Rajasthan	11	10	-	-	-	-	1
Tamil Nadu	23	18	2	-	1	-	2
Uttar Pradesh	76	52	4	3	3	8	6
Uttranchal	2	1	1	-	-	-	
West Bengal	23	17	1	-	-	1	4
Total	321	236	22	13	10	17	23

FAS - Further Assistance Stopped till investigation is completed
BL A - Black Listed Agencies not entitled to any future assistance.
Defaulter - Those VOs which are blacklisted by other ministries.
Doubtful - Ascertain the credential of the VO before sanctioning any new project.
Delisted - Removed from FAS/BLA/Defaulter/Doubtful category on appeal and after giving hearing and ascertaining facts.